

REMARKS

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on November 8, 2005. All objections and rejections are respectfully traversed.

At paragraphs 1-3 of the Office Action, claims 1-10 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims from the parent application, U.S. Patent No. 6,023,473, and 6,347,093. The parent application is commonly owned with the present application, and a terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. §1.321(c) is filed herewith to overcome this rejection.

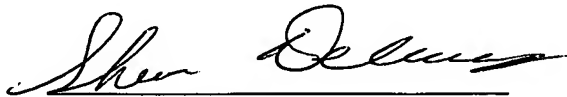
All independent claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

All dependent claims are believed to be dependent from allowable independent claims, and therefore in condition for allowance.

Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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